

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) An indomethacin external preparation comprising: 0.1 to 3 wt% of indomethacin; 25 to 50 wt% of alcohol; 0.01 to 5 wt% of gelling agent; 7 to 30 wt% of oil component; 20 to 50 wt% of water; and 0.01 to 10 wt% of one or more components selected from the group consisting of glyceryl monostearate, sorbitan monostearate, stearyl alcohol, and polyethylene glycol monostearate, wherein the component selected from the group consisting of glyceryl monostearate, sorbitan monostearate, stearyl alcohol, and polyethylene glycol monostearate has a melting point of 40°C or higher.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Previously presented) The indomethacin external preparation according to claim 1, wherein the selected component is glyceryl monostearate, sorbitan monostearate, or stearyl alcohol.